Generous Supply Brings Overflow

Five Hospitals Share Flowers

There were flowers to spare for The Daily Colonist Share the Flowers distribution to city hospitals yesterday.

(See picture on Page 19.)

So generous was the response to the appeal for spring flowers to brighten the lives of hospital shut-ins that there was an overflow from the three hospitals scheduled for the distribution.

After bountiful supplies had been delivered to Veterans' Royal Jubilee and St. Joseph's Hospitals, there were still blossoms to spare for the Chinese Hospital and the Gorge Road Hospital.

Among donors were Mrs. Frank Ross, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor, and Mrs. Percy Scurrah, wife of Victoria's mayor. Mrs. Scurrah has been a regular contributor to the Share the Flowers plan since it was inaugurated five years ago.

Flowers were arranged in individual parcels for distribution at the hospitals by Daily Colonist workers at The Daily Colonist downtown office as the profusion of daffodils, and forsythia and hyacinth were brought in from the gardens of the city by volunteer drivers.

The list of donors included: Mrs. Frank McKenzie Ross, Government House; Mrs. Percy B. Scurrah, 19 King George Terrace; Mrs. M. L. Lloyd, 388 King George Terrace; Mrs. J. R. Gesse, 2620 Romney Road; Mrs. N. M. Bamford, 671 Linklea Avenue; Mrs. D. M. Jones, 598 Island Road; Mrs. K. R. Teece, 3546 Savannah Avenue; Mrs. Frank Doyle, 3275 Old West Road; W. T. Ingram, 826 Seymour Avenue; Mrs. J. M. Dyer, 261 Battleford Avenue; Mrs. C. F. Ellson, 1023 Hulford Road; Mrs. W. W. Jonas, 3897 Cedar Hill Crossroad; Mrs. Lillian Chanson, 4030 Borden Street; Mrs. Margaret Sturrup, 959 Lodge Avenue; Mrs. J. S. White, 4396 Tyndall Avenue; Mrs. L. R. Dawes, 1850 San Juan Avenue; Mrs. A. W. Reid, 4305 Gordon Head Road; Mrs. M. L. Hayward Wilson, 2670 Queenwood Drive; Mr. William Mattick, 3273 Cordova Bay Road; Mrs. Warren Waterton, 4321 Eva Avenue; Mrs. S. S. Girling, 1960 Milevs Avenue; Mrs. M. L. Harvey, 1356 Milevs Avenue; Mrs. K. A. Cheston, 4311 Eva Avenue; Mrs. A. W. McKillgan, 4301 Tyndall Avenue; Mrs. E. D. Pierce, 1052 Hampshire Road; Mrs. T. F. Whittemore, 2172 Cubbon Drive; Miss E. S. Melville, 3485 Upper Terrace; Mrs. Gordon Hartley, 1915 Mayfair Drive; Mrs. D. J. Ray, 903 Pemberton Road; Mrs. M. C. Armstrong, 1003 Lyall Street; Mrs. H. J. Maynes, 900 Admiral Road; Mrs. Sydney Fraser, 1134 Craigflower Road; Mrs. P. E. Anderson, 335 Lampford Street; Fred S. Fowler, 124 Eberts Street; Mrs. C. A. Rawlings, 75 Cook Street; Joseph Williams, 911 Market Street.

Volunteer drivers were: B. E. Curtis, 861 Tolmie Avenue; Mrs. J. E. Chandler, 140 Joseph Street; Mrs. Victor Sender-son, 2630 Heron Street; Miss G. B. Sonier, 839 Walbrae Street; Mrs. A. G. McBride, 2527 Beach Drive; Mrs. Roy Millar, 3017 Henderson Road; Mrs. R. R. Noris, 131 Superior Street; Mrs. Frank Dewhurst, 3169 Carrol Street.

Arranging the flowers were: Mrs. V. G. Pritchard, 1251 Camrose Crescent; Mrs. C. E. Palmer, 1374 Vining Street; Mrs. Frank Dewhurst, 3159 Carrol Street.

Poor Work Caused Collapse

LISTOWEL, Ont. (CP) — Primary cause of the collapse of the Listowel Arena Feb. 28 was poor fabrication and the failure of laminated wooden truss or trusses, a coroner's jury investigating the mishap said Thursday night after deliberating 8½ hours.

Seven young boys and the town recreation director were killed in the collapse.

Stiffen Course —Pupils

QUALICUM BEACH—Three students have submitted a brief to the Chant Comission on education in B.C.

Joy Butler, Jeanne Higgins and John Gosselin, all 17, of the junior-senior high school here submitted a brief Thursday calling for enriched university programs "for the top percentage of high school students in the province."

Their brief, the first submitted by students, was prepared by 15 students. It also urged a new, more difficult program for students who did not go on to university.

Father of Six Charged With Policeman's Murder

GRAND FALLS, Nfld. (CP) —A western Newfoundland logger was charged Thursday with murder in the death of Constable William Moss, fatally injured in a March 10 fight between striking loggers and police.

Ronald Laing, 39, of Lomond, was remanded to March 26 when he appeared in court here. He is the father of six children.

Corporal Garfield Smith of the RCMP testified in line with Newfoundland court procedure in which the Crown is required to show there is sufficient evidence for laying a charge.

Cpl. Smith testified that RCMP reinforcements, sent "to help go down and disperse a crowd" at Badger, 20 miles west of here, marched through them again after they reformed across a highway.

"There were at least 200 in the crowd," the corporal recounted in his abbreviated testimony. "The people had birch sticks and hockey sticks."

Cpl. Smith testified that Laing was standing at the side of the road behind "four or five" members of the Newfoundland Constabulary who were bent down as if examining something.

"He was watching the constables," the corporal said. "All of a sudden he swung a stick. It was one of those birch sticks, two to three feet long."

Cpl. Smith yelled to an RCMP constable near Laing "and that constable hit the accused with his riding crop."

Laing, a man of medium height with greying black hair, chewed gum during his hearing. He wore a heavy sweater with breeches tucked into laced rubber boots.

Attending Governor's Presentation

Girl Guides to Set Scouting Precedent

Two Victoria Scouts will be given Queen's Scout certificates April 2 by Lieutenant-Governor Frank Ross at the annual Queen Scouts presentation at the Empress Hotel.

Tony Collis, 223 Dennison Road, and Alfred Lincoln, 1330 Thurlow, are among 125 Scouts from across the province who will receive the award.

Attending the presentation for the first time will be a group of 23 Girl Guides who will receive certificates for Guiding's highest achievement award, the Gold Cord.

Only Vancouver Island Guides in the group are two Victoria girls, Doris Watters, 530 Snowdrop, and Diana Livesay, 52 Sylvan Lane.

Mainland Guides and Scouts will travel to Victoria from Vancouver April 1 aboard two navy frigates. The complete group will gather at 5 p.m. in Thunderbird Park. Billets will be arranged in Victoria homes.

Tours will occupy the morning of April 2. At 2.30 p.m. the group will move to the Empress Hotel for the presentation banquet given by Lieutenant-Governor Ross and Mrs. Ross.

During the ceremony, Brig. W. G. Roaf, B.C.-Yukon provincial Scout commissioner, will give the "charge" to the Queen's Scouts of 1959. Mrs. F. A. Wilkes, provincial Guide commissioner, will address the girls.

Scouts and Guides will return to their homes on Friday.

Other Vancouver Island Queen Scouts attending will be Kurt Nielsen, Alberni; Kenneth Pearse, John Cochrane, Bruce Watson and Harold Pearse, Cumberland-Comox; John Kennedy, Shawnigan Lake-Cowichan Valley; Robert Wychoff, Melvin Galloway, Ladysmith-Mount Brenton; and Richard Heyd, Westholme.

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